Indications point to an early settlement of the Venezuelan difficulty.

NEWS SUMMARY.

London experts declare that the present silver agitation will not benefit the white metal.

A bill has been introduced by Senator Hanna providing bounties and annuitles for ex-slaves.

It is predicted that 100,000 farmers of all nations will immigrate to Canada during the next year. Montreal street car strikers have

become belligerent, stoning cars and injuring several persons. As the result of a quarrel, Policeman Grant Walke shot and killed Police-

man Hilders at Bristol, Tenn. A bill has been introduced in the Pennsylvania legislature to banish car-

toons from Pennsylvania newspapers. Mary Ann Mills, the oldest woman in Canada, is dead at her home in Woodham. She was in her 115th year.

Maine cotton spinners go on a strike, asking for higher wages and the abolishment of the practice of teaching ap-

Turkey is preparing for trouble by engaging transports to convey troops to Macedonia, where a revolution is threatened.

A noted French marquis advocates a Franco-American alliance and asserts that France should back up the Monroe doctrine.

Two thousand St. Louis trainmen declare they will go on a strike unless a raise of 20 per cent in their salaries is forthcoming.

Louis Mandell, a New York junk dealer, was killed by mysterious assassins, who crushed their victim's head with an iron bar.

The United States quarantine officials have declared Manila to be free from cholera, thus ending the quarantine, which has lasted nearly a year.

President Roosevelt declines to arbitrate the Venezuelan matter and the case will now go to The Hague. The blockade will be raised at once.

Orders have been received at the United States Armory at Springfield, Mass., to rush the shipment of 100,000 Krag-Jorgensen rifles to arsenals over the country.

A dispatch received in Paris from Tangier says a special courier from Fez has brought a renewed report that | by several companies of native scouts the pretender to the throne, Buhamara, has been captured.

A joint resolution has been introduced in the house by the chairman of there are 2,000 in the field. More trustthe judiciary committee, proposing an amendment to the constitution, prohibiting polygamy.

Walter Tripp attempted to kill his former sweetheart, Nellie Tanner, and then committed suicide at Duluth, Minn. The woman was seriously wounded but will recover.

Six hundred carpenters and joiners in the Wyoming valley, Pennsylvania, are on strike because the building contractors refused to grant them an increase from \$2.50 to \$3 a day.

The Washington Post publishes a story to the effect that Admiral Sampson took treatment for paresis a year before he was put in command of the fleet and ordered into Cuban waters.

Milwaukee firemen breathe fumes of nitric acid while fighting fire in stamp factory with fatal results for four firemen; nine others are seriously ill through breathing the poisonous gas.

While a sleighing party of young people were crossing a street car track at Winona, Minn., a car, running at top speed, crashed into their sleigh. The party consisted of two men and eight women, and all were injured, two of them may die.

Three children have mysteriously lied in one family at Laurier, Man. Whether death was caused by accilental poisoning or diptheria has not tet been ascertained, but an investiration is being asked for by citizens of the town.

Through a mistake Charles Fitzgibbon and his wife are dead at their home in Columbus, Ind. Fitzgibbon took home a quart of what he thought was alcohol, but which later proved to be wood alcohol. Both drank it.

The house committee on pensions has authorized a favorable report on the senate bill to increase the pensions of all Mexican war veterans from \$8 to \$12 per month. The number of Mexican war survivors on the pension rolls is 3,900.

The navy department is unwilling to allow Constructor Hobson of Merrimac fame to retire, even upon resignation outright. The reason is the pressing need of the construction corps for the service of just such officers as Mr.

Hobson. In answer to the Spanish minister's offer to sell, the navy department has concluded to purchase a certain proportion of the heavy ordnance now in place in the fortifications of Porto Rico, still the property of the Spanish gov- ing dispersed by police.

LIVED ON DOG MEAT.

Two Men in the Klondike Endure Great Suffering.

Reduced to starvation in the Arctic wilderness in the Yukon region, Victor Virgil Lowry and John Bevins of Dawson maintained their lives on dog and porcupine flesh. The story of the suffering and hardship of the men has just reached Dawson by mail. The two men were en route from Dawson to the Koyukuk diggings. They left Dawson October 10. The fifth day after being lost their food became exhausted. The men were in desperate straits. They had no gun with which to shoot game, and not a living soul nor a place of refuge was known to be within hundreds of miles.

In their desperation they could not parley over the proprieties of nicety. Lowry's faithful dog, his companion for three years, was the only available source of food. The dog was killed and eaten. But the flesh from the animal did not last long. The two enervated men traveled two days more without a mouthful of food, when they came upon a young porcupine. This they ran down and clubbed to death and devoured partly roasted.

Twenty days after they had started out the men wandered into a wood chopper's camp on the Yukon, almost dead. After a few days they were nourished sufficiently to travel.

MANY LIVES IN PERIL. One Hundred Men Have Narrow Es.

cape from Death in a Fire. Fire caused by the explosion of ar automatic burner in the Pennsylvania railroad shops at Pitcairn, Pa., Tuesday, destroyed the passenger car repair section and cabinet shop, entailing a loss of \$15,000 to the company. Over 100 men were at work in these departments, and they barely escaped with their lives, many losing their tools and the clothing which they wore to work. There was a shortage of water, and the fire burned so fierce ly that for a time it was feared that the immense shops and round house would be destroyed, but the excellent work of the railroad fire brigade kept the flames confined to the repair sec-

A FILIPINO ROUND.UP.

Government Taking Steps to Pacify Two Provinces.

The government is preparing to thoroughly round up the disorderly elements in the provinces of Bulacan and Rizal, where the constabulary, in accordance with orders received from the war department, will be reinforced The rumors from the disaffected provinces are believed to exaggerate the number of hostiles, of which it is said worthy reports say there are not over 500 natives under arms, and that the bulk of these scattered after Sunday's fight. It is believed that the chief difficulty will be concerning them. There is little doubt but that the hostiles will be speedily suppressed.

## SEDITION CHARGED.

Judge Calls Editor to Account for Criticism of Court and Jurors.

John W. Trame, editor of the Daily Record-Miner of Juneau, is confronted with the charge of sedition. In a controversy growing out of the attempt of Judge M. C. Brown to put a stor to gambling, the Miner has freely criticised the court and jurors. Judge Brown has appointed a committee of the leading members of the bar to in vestigate the utterances of the editor and to report their findings to the

TROUBLE IN THE BALKANS.

Russian Officers Ordered Ready Rejoin Regiments.

It is announced in a dispatch from a news agency from St. Petersburg. that all the officers of the Russian army reserves have been notified to hold themselves in readiness to rejoin their regiments in twenty-four hours, in the event of mobilization orders be. ing issued. The measure, it is added. appears to be connected with fears of trouble in the Balkans,

CARRIE NATION ARRESTED.

Saloon Smasher Violates an Ordi.

nance in Los Angeles. Mrs. Carrie Nation, who is filling a lecture engagement at the Chutes theatre in Los Angeles, was arrested Tuesday for violating a city ordinance forbidding the advertisement of at-tractions by the use of carriages decorated with painted banners. dinance has never been made effective, and infringement of its provis-ions has usually been overlooked in the past. Mrs. Nation was released on

Spaniards Desire Martial Law.

The strike situation in Barcelona and Cadiz is regarded as most grave. The Imparcial demands that martial law be proclaimed in Barcelona where, it asserts, many hundreds of foreign refugee anarchists have joined the large body of resident anarchists Serious disturbances are reported from Barcelona, where the government has rdered the suspension of the labor federations and the arrest of all their communitees. Disturbances also occurred in Cadiz on Tuesday, rioters be-

## TIDAL WAVE SWEEPS SOUTH SEA ISLANDS

GULFED BY TIDAL WAVE.

Terrible Story of Devastation and Death Which Comes From the Society Islands-Surviving Inhabitants Destitute of Food and Shelter.

Mariposa, direct from Tahiti. The loss arrive. ity to contend with wind and sea.

life to be 800. These figures comprised only the deaths on the three islands of Hao, Hikuera and Makokau, whose ordinary population is 1,800. On Hiwere engaged in pearl diving, nearly one-half were drowned. On an adjacent island 100 more were washed out to sea. Majokau and Hao are depopulated. Conservative estimates ally rescued. at Tahiti place the number of islands visited by the tidal wave and hurricane at 80. All of them are under the control of the French governor of Tahitt.

destitute of food, shelter and clothing, in the world.

ONE THOUSAND NATIVES EN- all having been swept away by the

The French government, upon recelpt of news of the disaster, took prompt measures to relieve the distressed district and dispatched two warships, the Durance and Zelee, with fresh water and provisions. The Italian man-of-war Calebria accompanied the two French vessels on their errand News of a fearful loss of life in a of mercy. As the supply of fresh water destructive storm that swept over the and provisions was totally exhausted South Sea islands last month has by the storm, it is feared that many reached san Francisco on the steamer lives will be lost before the relief ships

of life is estimated at 1,000 souls. On As the islands were barely twenty January 13 last a huge tidal wave, ac- feet above sea level, and not surcompanied by a terrific hurricane, at- rounded by coral reefs, it was necestacked the Society islands and the sary for all the inhabitants to take to Puamoto group with fearful force, the cocanut trees when the tidal waves causing deaths and devastation never began to cover the land. These trees before equaled in a land of dreaded grow to an immense height, many storms, a verification of man's inabil- reaching an altitude of 100 feet. All of the lower trees were covered by the The storm reigned several days, raging seas, which swept with pitiless reaching its maximum strength be- force about and over them. The natween January 14 and January 16, tives in the taller trees were safe until From the meager advices received at the cocoanut roots gave way, and then Tabita up to the time of the sailing they, to, were swept onward, ar out of the Mariposa, it is estimated that into the sea. The 400 survivors brought at least 1,000 of the island's inhabit- by the Excelsior to Papeete gained the ants lost their lives. It is feared that ship's side by swimming hree and four later advices will add to the long list, miles from the tops of the cocoanut The first news of the disaster ar- trees. The Elmeo, though badly disrived at Papetee, Tahita, January 26, abled by the storm, also brought off as on the schooner Elmeo. The captain many persons as could swim to her of the schooner placed the fatalities at sides, she, like the Excelsior, being un-500. The steamer Excelsior arrived at able to run close to the shores because Papette the following day with 400 of the fearful violence of the ocean destitute survivors. The captain of the swells, which continued to run ab-Excelsior estimated the total loss of normally high for a week after the

tidal disturbances. One of the many acts of heroism reported is that of a woman who climbed one of the tall cocoanut trees and kuera island, where 1,000 inhabitants lashed her little babe to the branches. hanging on to the body of the tree beneath the little one as best she could. There they remained for ten hours, suffering great torture, until fin-

Thousands of tons of copra and over 200 tons of mother of pearl shells are known to be lost. 'Ine pearl shells are valued at \$1,800 per ton, and many valuable pearls may now be lost to The surviving inhabitants are left the world forever, as these were considered some of the best pearl islands

## ARE AFTER SENATOR REED SMOOT'S SCALP

SENATOR FILED.

United States Senate is Asked to Set Aside the Election, the Document Being in the Hands of Senator Burrows.

has received a protest from citizens of of the protests. Utah against seating Senator-elect Senator Burrows received telesented prior to the receipt of the cre- time this promised protest has not ardentials. Senator Burrows says the rived.

Leader Takes His Own Life. revolutionary general, Uribe-Uribe. sition to the Panama canal treaty

Locked in Fire Trap.

Two little girls were burned to death ward the charred bodies were found.

Race Riot in Georgia.

A race riot occurred at McDonald, the other, the result being that two to a colored festival, and, after having a little difficulty with some of the negroes, locked the two doors of the building in which the negroes were dancing and commenced firing into the crowd with shotguns.

Gruesome Relics.

Deputy Sheriff Les Snow of Cheyenne has received from a friend in the Philippine islands some gruesome reltes in the shape of seven pieces of rope, each cut from the nalters used to hang seven Filipino murderers. Atleader. Another is that of Julian Confesor, vice president of the pueblo of

PROTEST AGAINST SEATING OF regular procedure after protest is presented will be its reference to his committee, to which the credentials of Smoot and other protests, if any are received, will also be referred. nature of the charges or allegations set out in the protests will determine the future action of the committee. If the charges are of a serious nature hear-A special to the Sait Lake Herald ings may be ordered to determine the from Washington contains the follow- truth of the same. If not the commiting: Senator Burrows, chairman of tee may pass upon them without furthe privileges and elections committee, ther testimony than shown on the face

Smoot. Senator Burrows has not de- graphic notice two weeks ago from the cided when he will present the protest Ministerial association that a protest in the senate. It is possible he may would be sent by it against seating defer filing it until after the creden- Smoot and that a representative of the tials of Smoot are presented, but after association would come to Washington a conference with other members of and appear before the committee the committee the protest may be pre- against Smoot, but up to the present

GENERAL URIBE-URIBE SUICIDES. General Uribe-Uribe published a letter December 12, advising Colombia to Former Colombian Revolutionary await the lapsing of the Panama concession in 1904, which would leave the The British steamer Para, which has Colombian government a free hand in arrived at Kingston, Jamaica, from the matter of the canal. The reports Colon, brings news of the suicide on brought by the Para indicate the pos-January 30 of the former Colombian sibility of another revolution in oppo-

Caught in a Spring Bed.

John Chase, 85 years old, at one time at Wallington, N. J., Saturday. They a prosperous manufacturer of Manhathad been locked in the house while tan, having lost his money, lived alone their parents were at work. They at Hempstead, L. I. Not having been were the children of Frank Zabolusky, seen for several days, friends went to who works in a dye house. His wife look for him, and found him unconworks in the botany mill. The house scious in his room. His foot had been was burning fiercely on the inside caught in a spring bed and in endeavwhen the neighbors discovered the are. oring to extricate it, the olu man had Those first on the scene found it im- partly fallen out of bed and struck his possible to enter, although neighbors head, which rendered him unconscious. said the children were inside. After- He had been in this position for three days.

Needs of Hawaii.

Superintendent of Public Works Ga., Sunday, between two white men Henry E. Cooper has furnished Govon one side and a crowd of negroes on ernor Dole of Hawaii with his estimates of the needs of the island govnegroes were killed, one mortally erument, and they will be transmitted wounded and eight others badly to the legislature for action. Superinwounded. The report is that two white tendent Cooper says that in the next men, well known in the section, went two years his department will require \$6,600,000 for public improvements, including the construction of bridges, roads, and buildings and for running expense. Cooper proposes that part of the money be raised by loan.

> Former Crown Princess of Saxony Will be Treated at Mental Hospital.

Counsel for the former crown princess of Saxony announces that, owing to great physical and mental depression, caused by the refusal to allow er to visit Salzburg or to see her sick tached to each piece of rope is a tag child, the princess has entered the sanbearing the same of the man it hansed, marium at Nyon in order to seek the and one of these names is that of Au- culetude and medical attention necesgustin Jilven, a celebrated ine rrecto sary in her delicate condition. Nyon is situated on the shore of Lake Geneva, in the Cantonment of Vaude.

HOOPER YOUNG CONFESSES.

And is Sentenced to Life Imprisonment for Murder of Mrs. Pulitzer.

William Hooper Young, on trial in New York City for the murder of Mrs. Anna Pulitzer, pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree, and was sen-

tenced to life imprisonment. Justice Herrick explained that he had advised Young's counsel to change his plea, and so advised the district attorney to accept it, this action being taken because of the prisoner's mental condition. According to the report of the doctors, he was not insane in the legal aspect of insanity, but from a purely medical point of view, he is not

The crime which Young has admitted was the murder of Mrs. Anna Pulitzer on Septemoer 14 last. Mrs. Pulitzer's body was found in a canal near Newark, N. J. Suspicion pointed to Young, and a search of his rooms revealed incriminating evidence. Young fled and was captured in Derby, Conn. Mrs. Pulitzer's body was badly mutilated by her murderer, there being twelve stab wounds. She was disemboweled. Young's trunk, in which were a bloody dagger and some of Mrs. Pulitzer's clothing, was lo-cated in the Chicago depot, he having sent it there by express just before he fled. Young's infatuation for the are held to be responsible for the mur-

THE SMOOT PROTEST.

Consists of a Sixty-two-Page Pam-

phiet, Signed by Prominent Men. The protest against the seating of Senator Smoot, which has been received by Senator Burrows, chairman of the committee on elections and privileges, has been carefully prepared in pamphlet form, and consists of sixty-two pages of printed matter. Quotations from sermons, manifestos, trials, newspaper interviews, etc., are made liberally, with frequent references to church books and church announcements. It is contended:

1. That the Mormon priesthood, according to the doctrines of that church, vested with supreme authority in

all things, temporal and spiritual, 2. That the first presidency and twelve apostles are supreme in the exercise and transmission of this au-

3. That this body of men has not abandoned the principles and practice of political dictation, so also it has not abandoned belief in polygamy and polygamous cohabitation.

That this attitude of the first presidency and apostolate ever since the suspensory manifesto of 1890, is evidenced by their tcachings since then. this body of officials, of whom Senator-elect Smoot is one, also practice or connive at and encourage the practice of polygamy and polygamous cohabitation, and those they have permitted to hold legislative office have, without protest or objection from them, sought to pass a law nullifying the enactments against po-

lygamous cohabitation. 6. That the supreme authorities in the church, of whom Senator-elect Smoot is one, to-wit, the first presi-dency and twieve apostles, not only connive at violations of, but protect and honor the violators of the laws against polygamy and polygamous co-habitation.

City, January 26, and is signed by the following: W. M. Paden, P. L. Williams, E. B. Critchlow, E. v. Wilson, C. C Goodwin, L. U. Colbath, W. A. Nelden, Clarence T. Brown, Ezra Thomp-son, John J. Corum, J. W. Leilach, W. Mont, Ferry, H. C. Hill, S. H. Lewis, George R. Hancock, George M. Scott, Clarence E. Allen, Abiel Leonard, H. G. McMillan.

NAILED MAN'S FOOT TO FLOOR.

Horrible Outrage Inflicted on a Pole in Pennsylvania. Anton Merhoon, a Pole, of Pittsburg,

Pa., suffered one of th emost excruclating tortures ever allotted to man. For four hours he stood with one of his feet nailed to the floor. Then he underwent the pain of having the natl extracted that he might be released. Merhoon was employed as a laborer at the schoenberger mills, having arrived in this country recently. For some reason his countrymen disliked him. He says that this dislike is due to his having succeeded one of their nost intimate friends at the mill. They allege that he took the place for less money. At any rate, they resolved to 'get even" with him. Merhoon was working alone in a room. Suddenly the door was thrown open and his four countrymen entered. Merhoon says hat they demanded that he give up his place at once and leave the city. This Mernoon refused to do. men then set upon him and beat him in a terrible manner. Then one of them picked up a hammer which was lying on the floor, secured a nail or small spike about four inches long, which was driven through the struggling man's right foot and into th They then left, locking the door, ... e unfortunate man being alone for four hours before he was discovered in an almost dying condition.

Shot Pierced Heart.

John W. Pratt, a well known news. paper man and lawyer, committed suicide in Seattle during a fit of insanity. Mr. Pratt has been mentally unbalinced for about a year, and had never cen morbid nor violent. Mrs. Pratt. nearing the report of a shotgua which her husband had taken to the bath. room, found the body. A charge of sider are the gos-pills." shot had pierced the heart. It was at first thought that her. Pratt's death was a result of an attack, but there is no longer doubt that it was suicide.

BIGGEST CRAB EVER FOUND.

One in Brooklyn Museum Over Eleven Feet in Diameter.

The biggest crab ever discovered, it is said, is now mounted and on exhibition in the Brooklyn Museum of Arts and Sciences. The natural home of this creature is under from 600 to 4,000 feet of water. The crab measures 11% feet in diameter and for the most part it has a very beautiful complexionfor a crab-ranging from a delicated old rose tint on the top of the carspace and legs to a pale browsish shade on the underside.

The two front legs have the usual crab claws, which are big enough to crush a man, but the others end in narrow brown hoofs without toes. The eyes on the branches are enormously large and the feelers are as big as gar-

The crab was taken off the Japan ese coast and formed a part of a collection made by Prof. Bashford Dean of Columbia college last year and it. was presented to the Brooklyn museum by Eugene G. Blackford. It took more than a month to mount it.

It is supposed that the giant crabs grow to twelve feet in diameter, says the Detroit News-Tribune, but the one in Brooklyn is the biggest ever captured. Not many of them are captured-not more than ten or twelve a year-although the Japanese are fishing over the grounds where they are

found all the time. The Japanese fishermen set lines several miles in length, with many hundreds of hooks, which are sunk to the floor of the ocean and left over night. When the lines are hauled in next morning all manner of extraordinary things are found attached, from. giant crabs to sea lilies.

BUFFALO HAD TO CLIMB.

Logic of Situation Wouldn't Permit Any Other Movement.

A near relation of the late Baron Munchausen on the maternal side, lineally descended from Ananias and Sapphira, was telling a party of friends about treeing a bull buffalo in one of

the trees of California. "That story lacks likelihood," remarked the man who knows everything, like so many other men; "the buffalo belongs to the ruminant family, has four or five stomachs and walks on hoofs. It has no claws at all and could no more climb a tree than a

Jersey cow." "As a general proposition you are right," said the story-teller, with perfectly unruffled mien. "But this case was quite exceptional. We were after the buffalo with four of the most vicious dogs that I ever knew. One was a boar hound, one a great dane, one a psovie, or wolf hound, and the other a registered buildog, with jaws like wrought iron. Well, they brought the buffalo to bay at the foot of a big tree and pressed him so blamed hard that he just had to climb. That was his only salvation."

Not That Time.

Senator Hoar, at the New England Society dinner that was recently held in Philadelphia, told the following story of his friend, Rev. Joseph Erskine of Edinburgh.

"The good Mr. Erskine at one time in his life lost hankerchief after handkerchief. He found, on investigation, that it was on Sundays these losses and accordingly one morning Mrs. Erskine sewed his handkerchief in the tall pocket of his coat. "'Noo,' said she, 'noo lat us see

what wull happen.' "Mr. Erskine, with the sewed-in handkerchief, passed down the aisle of the church that morning as usual to ascend to the pulpit, but as he sailed by the amen corner he felt a gentle tuge behind, a delicate nibble among his coat tails. Thereupon he turned on the disappointed old woman in the corner and said with a triumphant smile:

"'No' the day, honest woman; no' the day."

Champ Clark Taken for a Minister. Champ Clark of Missouri was mistaken the other day for a Methodist exhorter. Congressman Clark had just completed a period in an impassioned speech against a claim bill, which he regarded as iniquitous. In appealing to his colleagues to make a record for economy, he said: "Now is the accepted time; now is the day of salva-

Soon afterward the house adjourned and a thin, little man, hard of hearing, said to him:

"Brother Clark, I came into the gallery just as you extended your invitation to those godless colleagues of yours to lift their feet out of the miry clay. I knew you was a minister the minute I set eyes on you."

Mr. Clark said something about his duty, and it cost him \$3.55 among his friends when the story got out .-- New York Tribune.

His Style of Pills.

A Southern colored preacher of nimble mind and ready tongue, was in the habit of boasting that he could preach on any subject, and still keep the discourse in religious channels. One Sunday night he said to his congregation: "Now let any of the brethren name a thing to talk about. Anything." "Talk about pills!" shouted a keen old man who sat in the front row, and was desirous of tripping the preacher. "Pills!" A good subject! As you know, brethren, there are many kinds of pills. There are sugarcoated pills, to cure 'most anything. There are bromide pills to make you sleep. There are quinine pills for colds. But the pills I shall now con-

The easiest way to flatter some people is to cell them they are flattery